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ERULKAR REFUSES TO SUCCUMB TO SIR JOHN FORBES WATSON'S BAIT

Resolution Demands Study And Report To Next Session Of Governing Body

From Our Correspondent

LONDON, December 21.

Indian Employers' representative on the Governing Body of the I.L.O. Mr. D. S. Erulkar scored an unexpected victory at the final meeting yesterday at the I.L.O. Conference in London on his resolution about famine in India.

Mr. Erulkar has as far back as November 29 asked the I.L.O. Director what his office was doing about the Indian famine.

The Director merely placed before the Conference the text of Mr. Erulkar's cable in his third report to the Governing Body without any commitment or offering any comments thereon.

The question, however, was reached at the fag end of the session yesterday when the Director prefaced it with an expression of sympathy for Indian people but he did not indicate any proposal on behalf of the I. L. O.

ERULKAR STICKS TO HIS GUNS

Mr. Erulkar, thereupon, explained how the question fell within scope, the ambit of objects of the I.L.O. being of social and economic nature. He pointed out that he was placed at a disadvantage by the question being brought up barely fifteen minutes before the close of the session. He also explained that the famine was due to the acute scarcity of food supplies, aggravated by no margin of purchasing power of people affected.

DO IT NOW

He commended the following resolution for acceptance:

"The I.L.O. be asked to study the social and economic causes and consequences of occurrence of famine conditions in India and circulate its detailed findings to members of the Governing Body for consideration at the next session."

Dr. Carter Goodrich, Chairman and representative for American Government then stated that as the I.L.O. was busy with more important matters, Mr. Erulkar's proposal could not be accepted. He requested Mr. Erulkar not to press for it.

Mr. Erulkar, however, declined to accede to the Chairman's suggestion pointing out that it would be a reflection on the organisation if it was understood that the Indian famine question was pushed aside, because the I.L.O. had no time for it.

Sir Frederick Leggett, British Government representative, suggested that the Government of India be communicated with to ascertain what was being done.

Mr. Erulkar again declined this suggestion since he said the question was urgent and brooked no delay.

BAIT FAILS

Sir John Forbes Watson, leader of Employers' Group, offered to nominate Mr. Erulkar on the Asiatic Committee, which would investigate the question.

Mr. Erulkar again pressed that in view of the urgency of the question, the I.L.O. should examine it first and the Governing Body may then refer it to the Asiatic Committee.

The Chairman said, the Governing Body accepted Sir John Leggett's proposal, whereupon Mr. Erulkar pressed for vote on his proposal.

On being put to vote, Mr. Erulkar's motion was carried by five votes to two, a large number of members abstaining from voting

Mr. Holdsworth, representative of British Employees, voted for the resolution.

Khaksars And Bengal Destitutes

LAHORE, Dec. 22.

Alama Mashriqi, the Khaksar Leader, has ordered the Khaksars to stop removing Bengal destitutes to Khaksar centres outside Bengal.

In a statement to the press, he says that on December 17, the Hakim-l-Aala of Bengal Khaksars telegraphically informed him that the Bengal Premier was determined to stop Khaksars from sending destitutes on the plea that the famine in Bengal had ended. The Premier had also threatened to order the arrest of Khaksars, if they did not hand over the destitutes to Government for the purpose of being sent back to their original homes. In these circumstances, the Allama says, I have ordered the Khaksars in Calcutta to close their camp.—A. P.

Millions Made When Millions Starve?

(From Our Correspondent.)

LAHORE, Dec. 21.

The present boom in prices of wheat has brought unprecedented prosperity to 13 landlords in the Punjab. It is said the each of them has bettered his bank balances by about rupees twenty-five lakhs in the sale of wheat alone.

SCORES AT

NEW STEPPING-STONE TO BALKANS

Marshal Tito Raised To Status Of Full Allied Commander

CAIRO, Dec. 22

From Reuter's Special Correspondent: Marshal M. Joseph Broz Tito has been raised to the status of a full Allied Commander as the result of a highly successful conference in Alexandria.

Allied military commanders in the Middle East are now co-ordinating plans for more intensive partisan operations in Yugoslavia with increased support from the Allies.

Further very important strategic discussions with the Balkan army leaders are expected. Liaison with Marshal Tito is placed on the highest level, with the Partisan armies being considered as an integral part of the Allied forces operating in Southern Europe.

While it is too early yet to envisage a full-scale third Allied front in the Balkans, the Alexandria talks are viewed in the Middle East as a new stepping-stone to the Balkans and the first concrete tie-up with the growing arms of underground Europe

Plea For Polish Unity

MOSCOW, Dec. 22: Soviet-Polish relations were mentioned in the Soviet Press to-day in the form of lengthy reports from the United States reporting various appeals to the Poles to take necessary steps to improve the relations with the Soviet Union. Special prominence is given to an appeal by the Polish Professor of the Chicago University, Prof. Lange urging the Union of Polish patriots in Soviet Russia and the group of Polish democrats in Britain and United States as representing Polish democracy to join hands.

President Benes in an exclusive interview with Reuter following the signing of the Soviet-Czechoslovak treaty declared to-day: As part of the Union of free independent Slav nations as a bulwark against German aggression in the east, we desire the collaboration of Poland—a strong democratic Poland playing her role in helping to form an insuperable barrier against renewed German imperialist ambitions.

Allied Air Attack On Bangkok

NEW DELHI, Dec. 22

A few hours after the formation of an Eastern Air Command as announced American and British bomber crews operating under the new command were back at their bases from their raid on Bangkok, the longest distance raid of the war in this theatre.

Bangkok, Capital of Thailand and an important seaport and communications centre, was attacked by 'Liberators' of the U. S. A. A. F. and the R.A.F. their targets were important military objectives to the north of Bangkok.—A. P.

BRITAIN'S NEXT PREMIER

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, Dec. 21.

There goes the next Prime Minister, said one I.L.O. delegate when Mr. Eden arm-in-arm with Mr. Winant left the I.L.O. session yesterday after addressing the gathering.

Divisions in Tory and Labour parties may lead to new alignments wherein Labourites might be allied to young Tories under Mr. Eden.

ATTEMPT TO AVERT U. S. RAILWAY STRIKE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22: The Operating Brotherhoods of American Railways to-day completed a draft of proposals to submit to the White House in another bid for a settlement of the wage dispute. The new proposal sets a flat 8 cent hourly wage increase as the absolute minimum for agreement.

Hitler's Agent's Death Sentence Commuted

PRETORIA, Dec. 22

The South African heavyweight boxing champion Robey Leibrandt had his death sentence for treason commuted to prison for life. Reprieve was granted by the acting Governor-General of Union, N. J. de Wet, after Leibrandt's appeal, conducted by himself, had been rejected.

During the original trial of Leibrandt it was alleged he was sent by Hitler to South Africa in a U-boat with orders "to cause maximum damage in South Africa and organise armed resistance to Government. Leibrandt was said to have landed on the south-west coast and to have trekked for three days across the waterless desert.—Reuter.

WARDHAGANJ, Dec. 22: Mr. Kisanlal Bhoot, a businessman of Wardha was elected President of the Wardha Municipality, defeating his rival Congress candidate by 97 votes and the Nationalist rival by 288 votes.

CALCUTTA: The Government of Bengal have, it is understood, decided that no further financial assistance will be given to the Khaksars and other organisations for taking Bengal destitutes outside the Province.

India Can't Be Ruled For Long By Foreigners

New Zealand Dy. Premier Says After The War The Answer Is Clear

WELLINGTON, Dec. 22: Mr. Walter Nash, the New Zealand Deputy Prime Minister, in a special statement to Reuter on the world situation, particularly in the post-war period, declared that China, Russia, the British Commenwealth and the United States must remain united, if peace was to be assured.

"Unless we remove suspicion and mistrust war will inevitably come again. Barriers between the East and the West must be broken down."

"The Indian problem is to-day nearer solution than at any period in history. It is recognized that no great country can remain for long ruled by the people of another. It is also realised that at the moment war and the world situation makes the position of India difficult, but after the war the answer is clear—whatever the difficulties in the road or reconciling the views of the parties and the peoples inside that great country."—Reuter.

COAL MINE STRIKE IN C. P.

CHANDE, Dec. 22.

Eight hundred labourers in Ballarpur coal-mines have struck work since December 17 demanding bonus, dearness allowance and cheap grains. —U. P.

SECRECY LEADS TO VIOLENCE

Mysore Congress Always Sticks To Non-Violence, Says Its President

BANGALORE, Dec. 21

The Mysore Congress always sticks to the policy of non-violence and we are convinced that non-violence is the only means always open to us in our struggle for freedom, observed Mr. T. Subramanian, President of the Mysore State Congress in the course of an informal talk with the Pressmen this morning.

Condemning secret methods in working out the policy of the Congress, the President said secrecy very often led to violence and "we do not take to secret methods in executing our policy."

Welcoming the release of politicals the President hoped that if the object of the Government was to restore harmony and peace in the public life of the State the release of political convicts also should be effected and prohibitory orders on detenus should be removed. He also urged the withdrawal of prohibitory orders on some labourers of Kolar Gold Fields and Bhadravati.

The President said he understood the release of the members of the Mysore Congress Working Committee meant also the removal of the ban on the Congress organisation as otherwise the very purpose of the release would be defeated.

The Mysore State Congress President in the course of a statement says: "I have constituted a committee to direct and supervise the Parliamentary activities in the State.

THREE YEARS' SENTENCE SET ASIDE IN APPEAL

NEW DELHI, Dec. 22.

The District and Sessions Judge, Delhi, accepted the appeal of Mr. A. K. Dutta and set aside his conviction and sentence of three years' R. I passed on him by the Resident Magistrate of New Delhi, for alleged possession and manufacturing of prejudicial literature.

The Judge while upholding the conviction of Mr. Vishwanath who was also sentenced to three years R. I. in the same case, reduced his sentence to 18 months' R. I. —A. P.

CHINGLEPUT BAN

MADRAS, Dec. 22.

The District Magistrate of Chingleput has issued an order under the Defence of India Rules prohibiting the holding of or taking part in public processions, meetings or assemblies in furtherance of the aims of the Indian National Congress and "their programme of civil disobedience" in the District of Chingleput with immediate effect.

The order will be in force until further orders.—A. P.

"RELEASE POTNIS"

MIRAJ, Dec. 22: A statement signed by some prominent persons has been issued, requesting the Bhor Durbar to release immediately Mr. Gopinathrao Potnis, leader of the Bhor Proja Sabha. Among the signatories are Mr. A. B. Latthe, ex-Finance Minister, Bombay, Mr. N. M. Joshi, M.L.A. (Central), Mr. L. B. Bhopatkar, Mr. S. A. Brelvi, Mr. R. G. Soman, Mr. Jamnadas Mehta, M.L.A. (Central), Dr. Parulekar, editors of "Kal", "Prabhat" and "Kesari", Mr. Amritlal Sheth and some eminent M.L.A.'s.—United Press.

INDICTED FOR THREATENING TO SHOOT ROOSEVELT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Walter Best from Pontiac, Michigan, was indicted on Tuesday by the Federal Grand Jury on a charge of threatening to take 'put shot' at President Roosevelt.

He faces the maximum sentence of five years' imprisonment and thousand dollars fine.—Reuter

LONDON, Dec. 22: Lt.-Col. George Westmead Parkinson, Chairman of the Prominent Building Contractors, Sir Lindsay Parkinson and Company, Limited, has died in hospital following a car accident.

TANK BATTLE IN ORTONA STREETS

Allied Armies Continue Their Advance In Italy

LONDON, Dec. 22.

Allied headquarters in North Africa: Advancing in mountainous sectors of their right flank Gen. Mark Clark's Fifth Army are attacking the 2,500 foot hill village of Acqua Fondata, five miles west of Filignano and the village of Cardito, four miles further north, says Reuter's special correspondent.

A tank battle is raging in the streets of Ortona with the armour of Gen. Montgomery's Eighth Army engaging a concentration of German Mark IV tanks left to defend the town.

To-day's 'communique' states: "LAND: The battle on the Eighth Army front continues with full intensity. Our troops made further progress. Fighting is in progress in the streets of Ortona.

On the Fifth Army front our troops advanced despite determined enemy opposition. Several hills were captured and more prisoners were taken.

NAVAL: Naval activity continues. On December 19 a British motor-torpedo boat captured two German schooners off the Yugoslavian coast and made prisoners of their crews.

SORTIES OVER ROME

AIR: Fighters and fighter-bombers flew numerous sorties yesterday over the battle area near Rome and off the coast of Yugoslavia. Terracina was again bombed by our medium bombers. One enemy aircraft was destroyed with the loss of one of ours."

BATTLE FOR CASSINO PASS

Eighth Army tanks and infantry in fierce fighting along mountain roads are to-day throwing their full weight against outposts before the Cassino mountain pass, guarding the road to Rome. Cassino is now coming within the Allied pincer movement from the north-east and the south-east.

The American force to the north-east is also threatening to outflank Cassino from the north.

On the Adriatic coast front the Eighth Army is making progress to get its feet on the lateral road from Pescara to Rome.

INDIAN REGIMENTS ON ITALIAN FRONT

LONDON, Dec. 22

The following units have been fighting with the Eighth Army during the Moro river battle:— Hastings and Prince Edward Regiment, Carlton and Yorks, Forty-eighth Canadian Highlanders.

Mahratta Light Infantry and Eighth Punjab Regiment were also fighting on the Eighth Army front during November.—Reuter.

NO SUPREME COURT DURING WAR

Federal Chief Justice On System Of Optional Appeal

PATNA, Dec. 22

Sir Patrick Spens, Chief Justice of India, and Lady Spens, after a busy programme during their three-day stay in Patna, left for Delhi this morning.

Addressing Advocates' Association of the Patna High Court at a tea party yesterday afternoon, Sir Patrick suggested the desirability of adopting a system of optional appeal in view of the difficulty of establishing a Supreme Court in India during the war, which he said, was a "physical impossibility.' The optional appeal system, however, would lead to the development of the Federal Court into a full-fledged Supreme Court.

Sir Patrick added that most of the Dominions got their Supreme Courts through the optional appeal system and if at any time India wanted to cut off from the Privy Council this system would not stand in the way of their going the whole distance. It would be easy to organise a Supreme Court on that basis.—A. P.

SPAIN APOLOGISES

NEW YORK, Dec. 22: The Colombia Broadcasting System correspondent reports that an official announcement in Madrid to-day states that Spain has apologised for an attack on the American consulate at Valencia.

Two members of the Falange Party have been expelled.

Sequel To Nazi Raid On England

LONDON, Dec. 22: Only slight damage and a small number of casualties are reported in a little German air activity over parts of east and south-east England, including the London area early last night.

R. A. F. "Mosquitos" bombed Western Germany last night.

American heavy bombers attacked targets in North-West Germany to-day.

Drop Mosley Issue

LONDON, Dec. 22: The General County Council of the Trades' Union Congress to-day refused a request by the Amalgamated Engineering Union for a meeting of the Executives of the Unions to demand re-internment of Sir Oswald Mosley.

The feeling of the meeting was that no useful purpose would be served by pursuing the matter further.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

COTTON (MARCH)

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.

Previous closing	19.40
To-day's opening	19.41
Difference	+.01
To-day's closing	19.50
Difference	+.10

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

CALCUTTA, Dec. 22.

SHARE MARKET:—The market continued steady and the volume of business in all sections was fair and satisfactory. Government securities were unchanged.

Three-Pronged Thrust At Vitebsk

Danger To Nazi Key Position In White Russian Winter Line

MOSCOW, December 22.

The Germans are attacking fiercely south-east of Korovograd in the Dnieper Bend trying to drive a wedge into Russian lines between Kirovograd and Krivoi Rog. In three days fighting, however says, an "Izvestia" dispatch, the Germans have achieved nothing.

The Red Air Force has gone into action against long columns of German lorries retreating towards Vitebsk.

The Red Army driving rapidly from Nevel is to-day less than fifteen miles from Vitebsk, the fortress city on the road to Poland and the Baltic. Russian tanks and cavalry in their out flanking sweep to the north-west have drawn nearer to Vitebsk garrisons only escape route to Polotsk, though a wide stretch of swampy country still separates the Russians from the sixty mile long Vitebsk-Polotsk railway

The Germans have now been retreating under Russian pressure for a whole week, but stiffer resistance must be expected, as the Russians approach the inner belt of fortifications guarding Vitebsk. These fortifications are the strongest on the eastern side of the city, so that the potential encirclement of Vitebsk remains a great danger for this key position in the German White Russian Winter Line.

Meanwhile, the Red Army has made new gaps in the outer fortified zone on an arc-shaped front, stretching from the neighbourhood of the Nevel-Polotsk railway line to a point north of Vitebsk.

The Red Army is to-day converging from three directions on Gorodok the last big railway town before Vitebsk on the North-South Railway from Nevel. From the north, the Russians are now only three and a half miles away, from the north-east five miles and from the east six miles distant from Gorodok. At the Southern end of the White Russian front, the Germans are increasing their counter-operations by launching a new thrust south-west of Zhlobin.

Judging by areas further south chosen by the German Command to launch their attacks, their plan seems to be based on the hope of forcing the Russians back to the Dnieper over a wide front. This hope, however, would not seem to have much chance of success.

Already, the Korosten thrust in the Kiev salient, which is only 48 hours old, has run up against the Russian brick wall.

NAZI ATROCITIES IN KAGANOVICH

The Moscow Radio to-day broadcast a document signed by the inhabitants of the town of Kaganovich accusing the Germans of atrocities committed in that town. Three thousand people, the document said, were sent to Germany for forced labour. The signatories designate as the chief culprits Gauleiter Fentziger. His assistant Schmidt, Commandant Jakob and the assistant of the Economic Chief named Delp.—Reuter.

BATTLE FOR VITEBSK

Elephant Procession For Mahasabha President

AMRITSAR, Dec. 22.

The President of the Silver Jubilee Session of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha will be taken out in an imposing procession on an elephant fitted with silver howdah, which has been lent by the Maharaja of Kapurthala.

According to the revised arrangements, the procession will start from Tilak Nagar, and after parading through the principal streets will terminate at the Hindu Sabha College in Dhab Chatikhan. Triumphal arches are being erected all along the route.

The local Hindu Mahasabha has decided to present a purse of Rs. 20,000 to Dr. Shyama Prasad Mookerjee. Bawa Gurmuksingh will present a purse of Rs. 10,000 on behalf of the Arya Samaj of Amritsar. The Students' Federation will also present a purse of Rs. 500 to Dr. Mookerji.

A cow protection conference will be held here on December 26.—A. P.

COUPLAND PLEADS FOR PAKISTAN

"India Is Not A Nation And Not Fit For Parliamentary Govt." He Says

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, Dec. 21.

At a meeting held in London yesterday under the chairmanship of Sir Frederick Whyte, Professor Coupland again reverted to the Indian problem and discussed his plan for constitutional development. He characterised the present deadlock as mainly communal. He said "stupidity" of the Congress leaders was the cause of the growth of the Muslim League and its growing power. In fact, Congress made the Muslim League a great "power."

After the election of 1937 "drunk with victory" Congress went for complete power and decided to smash the Muslim League in the United Provinces.

Prof. Coupland said: "Government of India Act of 1935, is dead and further advance is not possible in that direction. The Act was based on two wrong assumptions namely that India is a nation whereas the truth is, she is not a nation, secondly, that Parliamentary Government is possible in India. Both these assumptions must be abandoned.

According to Prof. Coupland, solution was possible only on the basis of acceptance by the Congress of Pakistan in some form or other.

Sir Ernest Hotson, the ex-Governor of Bombay did not share Prof. Coupland's view that Parliamentary Government had failed in India.

"A RETROGRESSIVE STEP"

SURAT, Dec. 21: "Nothing short of the restoration of parliamentary and civic franchise will be satisfactory to the Indians in Natal. To accept franchise on a communal basis is a retrogressive step since we have one experience of the franchise given to the natives whereby 60 per cent of the population is represented by three European members in both Houses of Parliament." Thus observes Mr. M. A. Jadwat, the representative of the South African Indian Congress in India in a statement in connection with the speeches of Mr. Clarkson, the Minister for Interior in the Union.—A. P.

RANJI CRICKET

Delhi Beats Gwalior

GWALIOR, Dec 22: Delhi won the Ranji Trophy cricket match by 419 runs.

Final scores: Delhi 179 and 393. Gwalior 92 and 61.

TWO CINEMA SHOWS FOR X'MAS

LAHORE, Dec. 22: There will be two cinema shows daily in Lahore during the X'mas holidays (from 24th December to 4th January) instead of one as at present.

Latest News

"COLD TRUTH ABOUT BURMA FRONT"

BURMA BORDER, Dec. 23.

From "Daily Mail" special correspondent through Reuters.

Apart from a brief period when it looked as though the Japanese were about to attack India and Ceylon, this theatre of war has never topped the supply priority list. Now with the South-East Asia Command preparing for a real war on the Japanese, things are improving and supplies of all kinds are streaming into the country. But I still doubt very much whether we shall get all we need until Germany is out of the war and the combined strength of the United Nations is turned East. The cold truth is that real war cut here has not yet started and that at no point yet have we really come to grips with the enemy and that it may still be a long time before the United Nations are ready to move in full-scale and a decisive manner.

GERMAN WITHDRAWAL ON VITEBSK FRONT

LONDON Dec. 22: The German News Agency military correspondent Col. Ernst Von Hammer said to-day: "In Vitebsk area German troops met new attempts of the Russians to breakthrough by systematically carried out shortening of the front.

P. K. DEB ENTERS SEMI-FINALS

BOMBAY, Dec. 22: P. K. Deb entered the finals of the Western India Billiards Championship by defeating M. A. Tyebjee in the semi-finals tonight by 750 points to 569. The finals will replayed to-morrow between P. K. Deb and V. R. Freer.—A. P.

PESHAWAR: Guru Nanakdev's Gurdwar was handed over yesterday to a committee of prominent Sikhs by the authorities.

NAZI WITHDRAWAL

LONDON, Dec. 22: The German radio said to-night that German troops have withdrawn some hundreds of yards at Ortona.—Reuter.

Madras Takes Up Prohibition Issue With Viceroy

MADRAS, Dec. 22.

The following telegram has been sent to the Governor-General by Mr. Syed Niyamatullah, Mayor of Madras, Mr. V. Chakkarai Chetty, ex-Mayor, Vice-President of the Indian Christian Association and President of the Provincial Trade Union Congress Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliar, a former Minister, Mr. Basheer Ahmed Syed M.L.A., Mr. R. Suryanarayana Rao, Secretary Servants of India Society, Madras, Mr. Sami Venkatachellam Chetty M.L.A. (Central) and Mr. T. T. Krishnamachari M.L.A. (Central):

"In view of public opinion amongst Hindus, Muslims, Christians, Depressed Classes and others the Madras Province and in view of the widespread feeling of breach of faith in respect of Sales Tax yielding a revenue of some crores imposed specifically for prohibiting the drink traffic we earnestly beseech you to direct the Madras Government to withdraw the suspension of the prohibition act passed by the late Ministry with the co-operation of all parties in the Legislature including the Muslim League and the Justice Party. This will prevent further widening of the gulf between the Government and public opinion.—A. P.

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ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, Dec. 22.

Following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches recorded at eight hours on 18-12-43 :—

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A Swaraj Government means a Government established by the free joint will of Hindus, Mussalmans and others.

—MAHATMA GANDHI.

The Bombay Chronicle

"THE WAY OUT"

In a pamphlet entitled "The Way Out", published by the Oxford University Press (pages 32; price 8 annas), Mr. C. Rajagopalachari has developed his well-known ideas about ending the present deadlock. It may be remembered that some time ago he earnestly pleaded for the reopening of negotiations at the point Sir Stafford Cripps' talks with the Congress broke down. As Government have shown no willingness at all to give Congress leaders any opportunity of resuming negotiations and as Mr. Rajagopalachari feels that the consequence of Government's attitude is far more harmful to the country than to anybody else, he now suggests that the public should take the initiative by proclaiming their willingness to accept the Cripps scheme as it is and as interpreted by Government themselves. He assumes that the scheme is still open in its entirety because Mr. Amery recently said: "The Cripps proposals have remained open and will remain open." But he does not make any reference to the more often repeated statements that only the "broad principles" of the proposals are open and to Mr. Churchill's unequivocal refusal to apply the Atlantic Charter to India. However, let us assume that the scheme as a whole is open and pass on to Rajaji's reasons for its acceptance.

Rajaji makes out a very strong case for the acceptance of those proposals in the Cripps scheme which dealt with the post-war constitutional arrangements. But as the Congress did not raise any objection against these or rather left them to be considered after the war, they need not be considered here. In any case the uncertain position of the States not electing to join the Indian Union and Britain's insistence on the power to be recognised by a treaty "in accordance with the undertakings given by His Majesty's Government for the protection of racial and religious minorities" are possible snags in the scheme which will need careful consideration before all the proposals can be accepted. Congress negotiations broke down over the proposals regarding immediate constitutional changes and these have to be examined most carefully, particularly because they have been rejected by the Congress, the Muslim League and other important political bodies. With regard to Defence the Cripps scheme stated that "His Majesty's Government must inevitably bear the responsibility for and retain control and direction of the defence of India as part of their world war effort," and Sir Stafford stated categorically that Defence could not be transferred even if all the parties in India demanded it. But a little later some agreement was arrived at with regard to the distribution of powers between the Reserved and the Transferred sections of Defence. With regard to other departments Rajaji says that the breakdown was due to "the exaggerated importance attached on both sides to the Viceroy's veto during the interim Government.' He, therefore, suggests the acceptance of the Cripps proposals without any reference to the veto as he expects that the acceptance itself "will lead in due course to the resumption of responsibility in the provinces and to the formation of an efficient Centre that commands the "confidence of the provinces."

The subordination of the veto to the will of the Cabinet except in extraordinary cases is a test of true self-government and it is impossible for Congress to exaggerate its importance. We agree with Rajaji that a policy of mere drift cannot do any good to the country, that it is wrong to indulge in the wishful thought that soon the war will be over and that the present deadlock will then vanish as if by magic. We agree with him that if Indian deadlock is not ended now, we shall be losing most valuable time when other countries, in the immediate post-war period, will be reorganizing their industries, their agriculture and their production of raw materials. We also agree with him that "loyalty to the leaders in prison should not result in our affairs be tied in inextricable knots." But those that are free should also take care that they do not entangle themselves in worse knots. It is, of course, possible, in the present changed circumstances, for Congress to come to an honourable compromise through negotiations on the basis of the Cripps scheme. But for that to come about their immediate release is essential. The country must agitate and agitate with all its might against Government's cussedness in not releasing the Congress leaders or at any rate allowing them to discuss proposals for a settlement even with responsible men like Rajaji or Mr. Jinnah.

Dangerous High-handedness

The infection of dictatorship seems to be spreading even outside the Fascist countries. The Government of India have issued "firmans' forbidding the payment of bonuses, commission and dearness allowance, etc., beyond certain limits fixed by them. The fiats have naturally called forth loud protests from a number of chambers of commerce and Labour organisations. We can understand a Government fixing, in a spirit of humanity, minimum dearness allowances, bonuses, etc., particularly as they are themselves most responsible for the present inflation and soaring prices. But what moral right have any Government to prevent generous allowances by non-Government bodies? It is well-known that employers have never been excessively generous in this respect, because they know that the allowances tend to be indefinitely prolonged. They are now considerate because they realise that wages and salaries are lagging far behind the advancing prices. They prefer bonuses and dearness allowances to a rise in the basic wages as the latter cannot be easily reduced in the days of depression.

It is most high-handed on the part of Government to restrict the payment of bonuses and dearness allowances. Let it be conceded that in some cases the employers prefer paying higher bonuses to their own workers to paying Excess Profits Tax. But that is the most natural thing in the world, for they realise that their generosity ultimately pays as it keeps the workers satisfied and more willing to bear necessary reduction of wages in bad times. Government have no right to rob the poor workers of their hard-earned bonuses. They must remember that by using their power to appropriate others' gains just because they have super-abundant power in their hands they will only add to the discontent among the workers. The statement recently issued by the Secretary of the Textile Labour Association of Ahmedabad shows that the stopping of the dearness allowance in the local mills has caused keen resentment among the workers. Government should beware of encouraging, however unwittingly, strikes and other industrial disputes at the present time.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Road To Rome

If the American Fifth Army should succeed in capturing Cassino, the Allied progress towards Rome, which till now has been most disappointingly slow, will be materially quickened. With the pincers closing in on it from both the north-east and south-east, the American troops can storm this stronghold within a week at the most. Its capture would lay the road to Rome open to the Allies as never before. Signs are not wanting that the enemy has begun to realise that the defence of Rome may not be worth the sacrifices it will call for and that a better strategical stand could be made somewhere north of it. The reported evacuation of Italians from areas round about the city, so as to permit the planting of mines and dynamite to delay the advance of the Allies as much as possible, before the Axis troops make a get away, would go to confirm this view. The cheering news from the southern front, synchronising as it does with the equally cheering report from the British 8th Army's front in the north-east, where the Ortona-Orsogna road has been practically turned by this Army, hastens the doom of the Italian metropolis. With the two Allied armies astride the two highways to Rome, the fall of that city should not be far off.

Hitler's Shock Tactics

While the Russian drive towards Vitebsk is proceeding with a swift tempo since General Bagramyan's break-through on the White Russian front, it is significant that the dour German defensive in the Dnieper bend shows no signs of weakening. On the contrary Marshal Manstein is throwing fresh waves of Panzers to stem the engulfing tide of the Red Army. He has launched a new attack at Kirovograd and further to the north has struck along the highway running from Korsten to Kiev. It remains to be seen what fruits this fury born of desperation brings to Manstein. Or is there some truth in the reports that Hitler has threatened Manstein with the direst penalties if he fails in capturing Kiev? The very fact that the Fuehrer is reduced to such shock tactics in order not to win a victory—which is now beyond his wildest dreams—but to force a propaganda success shows to what pass the Wehrmacht as well as the German people has reached.

TWO DANISH QUISLINGS SHOT DEAD

LONDON, Dec. 22: The Danish radio to-night said that two Danish quislings, Eric Oestergaard Petersen, an army officer and Eric Hans Gaus, a journalist—were shot dead to-day, when they answered rings at their front doors. They were described as "collaborators" of the Danish lawyer Einar Krenchel who escaped when an attempt was made to shoot him at a meeting yesterday. Krenchel has been investigating sabotage activities.—Reuter.

Formula To End Sind-Delhi Food Tangle

OFFER OF REFUND TO ZAMINDARS IN SHAPE OF REBATE IN LAND ASSESSMENT

KARACHI, Dec. 22.

A compromise formula has been suggested—and is featured in the Press without revealing the source—for the solution of the Delhi-Sind food tangle.

It is suggested that instead of the Sind Ministry's proposal to buy and sell rice at Rs. 12 per maund, Sind should buy rice at Rs. 9 (as at present) and sell to other provinces at Rs. 12. At the same time, a refund could be given to the Zamindars and Khatedars in the form of a rebate in the Land Assessment to the extent that they would have benefited if the Sind Ministry's original proposal to buy at Rs. 12 per maund had been accepted.

It is claimed that by this means the Ministry's declared object of giving promised relief to the Zamindars will be achieved without any fear of putting profits into the hands of merchants, middlemen and speculators—which was the main objection against the Ministry's proposal. By the suggested formula only the producer will get relief.

Although no authoritative reaction is available, it is also stated that the formula may be accepted by the Ministry with a view to ending the stalemate.—A. P.

"NO RESPONSIBILITY WITHOUT POWER"

The recent anti-Hoarding Order for wheat making it an offence for anybody to keep more than a certain amount of wheat after January 15, 1944, has been issued by the Governor under special responsibility without the concurrence of his Ministers, said Mr. M. H. Gazdar, Minister for Information, in an interview.

The Ministers informed His Excellency that they would not be a party to any policy of rationing, procurement and requisitioning as their powers had been taken away by the direction of the Government of India under Section 26-A the Ministers made it plain that they could not shoulder any responsibility without power.

Mr. Gazdar warned that the interference by the Government of India would lead to the same conditions as the Bengal famine being repeated in Sind.

BENGALI DESTITUTES ARRIVE IN KARACHI

KARACHI, Dec. 22: Twenty-three Bengali destitutes arrived in Karachi to-day under the protection of the Khaksars. One Hindu destitute was admitted to the Civil Hospital where he died. His funeral was largely attended by both Hindus and Muslims. Eleven Hindu destitutes were handed over to Dr. Tilloomal, a Hindu Khaksar.

LADY WAVELL VISITS RELIEF CENTRES

During Their Excellencies' recent tour in Bengal Lady Wavell inspected a large number of relief centres, particularly those run by ladies. Her Excellency paid an informal visit to the office of the All-India Women's Conference and enquired about the details of the relief work and visited three children's homes which are being run by the A.I.W.C. and expressed great satisfaction at the relief work. Her Excellency promised to meet the requirements of the organisation in all possible ways, particularly in medical equipments.

STUDENTS OFFER MEDICAL HELP

A delegation on behalf of the All-India Students' Federation arrived here with medical and other help.

University students of the Punjab, Madras, Lucknow, Tamil Nad, Andhra, etc., comprise the delegation.—United Press.

THAKKAR FOR BOMBAY

CALCUTTA, Dec. 22: Mr. A. V. Thakkar, Vice-President of the Servants of India Society, has just completed a three weeks' tour of Orissa investigating the food and medical relief position in the province. He left Calcutta to-day for Bombay.—A. P.

TOLL OF STARVATION

CALCUTTA, Dec. 22: Yesterday 21 sick destitutes died in various hospitals in the city and suburbs.

BENARES: The local committee of the Communist Party of India has organised a Bengal Relief Week commencing on December 25, to collect money for relief.

EXTENSION OF RATION AREAS

CALCUTTA, Dec. 22: The Bengal Rationing Preparatory Enquiry Order has been extended further to 24 municipalities in the districts of 24-Parganas and Hooghly as also to the Barrackpore Cantonment in 24-Parganas.

Contributions to the Muslim Chamber of Commerce Relief Fund, Calcutta, totalled Rs. 6,33,707 on December 21. They include donations in kind amounting to Rs. 1,52,600.

Mr. Jinnah has remitted a further sum of Rs. 14,592, which includes certain donations paid through him. The total amount received from and through Mr. Jinnah is now Rs. 94,824. —A. P.

PIGEONS FOR RELIEF WORK

CALCUTTA, Dec. 22: Pigeons are now being utilised, the 'United Press' learns, by the military in connection with their relief work in certain famine-stricken areas of Bengal. Every day patrols are sent to coastal areas in boats and launches to obtain details about the food and health position of the people and search for black spots where medical aid is necessary.

Six pigeons are carried by each patrol to utilise them in sending an s.o.s. to the base-area for medical aid whenever a black spot is found.—United Press.

PUNJAB BAN ON "SHIVAJI MAHARAJ"

LAHORE, Dec. 22

The Punjab Government have proscribed, under the Indian Press (Emergency Powers) Act and the Criminal Law Amendment Act, a book in Urdu entitled "Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj" written by Sardar Balvant Singh and printed at the Nazir Printing Press, Amritsar.—United Press.

"Washington Post" On U.N.R.R.A. And I.L.O.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22: The newspaper 'Washington Post' discussing problems such as food relief and rehabilitation, says the United Nations have seen fit to create brand new organizations such as the U.N.R.R.A. "This is altogether wise and proper, but it would be a great mistake if this policy went so far as to lead to the creation of new international bodies where perfectly competent agencies are already in existence."

The 'Washington Post', therefore, applauds the British Foreign Secretary Mr. Anthony Eden's statement giving the British Government's support to the International Labour Organization. With its twenty years' experience the I.L.O.'s usefulness can be greater than ever, now that post-war problems are coming very much to the fore, it says.—Reuter.

ANJUMAN-I-ISLAM SCHOOL'S RECORD

On Wednesday the Anjuman-i-Islam High School Senior team created a history in the history of the Harris Shield Inter-schools Tournament by winning the shield for the sixth year in succession. Playing the finals against the Bharda New High School on the Elphinstone C.C. ground things did not appear very bright for the Anjuman in the first innings although the fifteen years old Abdullah and the Captain Saadan had secured the position of the game by a great partnership that brought 44 runs, the tail falling as a result of two batsmen being run out. In the 2nd innings of the Bharda School, the inspired bowling of Yacoob and very good fielding which the whole side displayed, kept the Bharda score as low as 70 runs only. The Anjuman opened the 2nd innings propitously. Kadar scoring a faultless 26 in half an hour, but the team resolved a setback by losing their star batsman Ibrahim. But again the tiny Abdullah defying all tactics of Modawalla and other Bharda bowlers finally secured his sides' position by scoring 41 runs when he was given l.b.w his side's score stood at 99 that is 15 runs to win. Great tension prevailed as another wicket fell when only ten runs were required for victory. Saadan playing a real captain's innings brought the shield to his school for the sixth time.

Scores Bharda New High School —1st innings 156 (Patel 63, Kapadia 30, Mukadam 5 wickets for 35)

Anjuman-i-Islam High School—1st Innings 113 (Saadan 31)

Bharda School 2nd Innings—70 runs (Kapadia 23); Yacoob 3 wickets for 15 Ismail 3 wickets for 23)

Anjuman-i-Islam School—2nd Innings 115 for 5 wickets (Abdullah 41, Kader 26, and Saadan 25).

Wanted Pilots For India

Flying Officer A. Lodhi of Indian Air Force who has been specially appointed to recruit pilots for Indian Air Force is now visiting Bombay and will interview young men between the age of 17-1/2 and 26 at Technical Recruiting Office, Dhobi Talao, Bombay between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. daily. Young men who are matriculates or hold equivalent qualification and have good knowledge of English should call on him for interview. An excellent opportunity for young healthy men who want to be independent and become masters of the skies

HYDERABAD (Dn.) Dec. 22: The Maharaja of Kapurthala arrived here this morning from Bombay on a short private visit.

The Princess of Berar this morning opened an exhibition of original paintings by the Russian artists, Nicholas Roerich and Svetoslav Roerich.

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tish soldiers to a Christmas party—in jail!

(2) Sir John is so anxious to speed the Christmas cheer that he may journey to Poona to wish a certain guest of his "Christmas Mubarak."

(3) The next Hollywood star who comes to India will not be made available for a Press Conference. In true film studios tradition, only publicity blurbs and "cooked-up" interviews will be issued by the U. S. C. W. I.

(4) Rajaji's pamphlet "The Way Out" is going to be banned as the title sounds suspiciously like "Quit India."

TÊTE-À-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT

CALCUTTA, Dec. 21.

"In Chittagong town 3,000 died in the last five months out of the total population of 30,000. In Noakhali district out of 21 lakhs 2 to 2½ lakhs have already died and about 2 lakhs more are almost on the verge of death. About 50,000 people are reported to have died of starvation, malnutrition, malaria and other diseases each in Munshiganj (Dacca), Nilphamari (Rangpur), and Kandi (Murshidabad), during the last few months. In Faridpur 5,46,971 people have been affected by malaria in the last five months, out of which 30,057 have already died." These figures are quoted by Choudhury Moazzem Hussein, M.L.C., Secretary, Bengal Muslim League Relief Committee in course of an appeal.

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Mr. Fazal Ibrahim Rahimtoola, speaking at a National War Front meeting in Bombay, dealt with the question of post-war reconstruction and said: "Reports from all over the world indicate that the day of liberation is very near."

Was the distinguished National War Fronter speaking about India, by any chance?

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The Soviet Union has changed its National Anthem.

The Workers' International shall *Not* be the human race?

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In a picture of the "Big Three" at Teheran now published, President Roosevelt is smilingly looking at Marshal Stalin by his side while Premier Churchill glumly looks away.

Embarrassed by the memories of the war of intervention?

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TO-DAY'S PRIZE HOWLERS

(Perpetrated by the Junior Colleague).

(1) In response to Sir John Colville's appeal certain distinguished Indians have invited a batch of Bri-

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AZIZUL HAQUE ON MUSLIM DEMAND FOR "POLITICAL SELF-DETERMINATION"

Text Book Maxims Of Western Democracy Not For India, He Argues

ALIGARH, Dec. 22

Sir Azizul Haque, Commerce Member, Government of India, in his Convocation Address to the Aligarh University explained how the political choice of Indian Muslims was the inevitable logic of past events. He went on to criticise the way Islamic history and culture were taught in Indian text books and strongly pleaded for much greater attention to the study of that History and Culture, declaring that the aim of such study should be to present Islam in its true perspective.

Sir Mohammed stressed the urgent need for Muslims to increase their share in scientific research, in industry, commercial enterprise, banking and trade.

MUSLIM DEMAND

Speaking only as a student of politics and without wishing to enter the political arena, he said no one could fail to recognise the fact that Muslims of India were to-day united in their demand for political self-determination and for a free choice of their own future. Right from the days of December 10, 1906, when the League was organised, the Mussalmans made it clear over and over, again and in quite unequivocal manner that they were prepared for any agreed and reasonable settlement of India's political problems. All their efforts at conciliation, compromise and settlement have failed during these years. The genuine views of the Muslims were far too often represented as anti-national, parochial or communal, the principle of the Government, of the people and for the people was far too often denied in fact to the Mussalmans on pleas of text-book maxims or of political doctrines of western democracy. Rarely was there a frank recognition of the realities of India's political, social or economic life; political issues and problems were discussed more on political mysticism than on an analysis of political realities.

LOGIC OF FACTS

The inexorable logic of facts has therefore been, just as it was expected to be in such circumstances, that the Muslim community lost its faith in mere adjustments or safeguards and has evolved a plan for the political reconstruction of India.

Sir Azizul Haque dwelt at some length on modern education in India and criticised history as taught in the country which he said was not law and order.—A. P.

"Pilot Your Own Ship Of State"

LAHORE, Dec. 22

"Now the old world is indubitably dead and we stand on the threshold of a new era not only as spectators of new birth but we are participators in it", observed Mr. G. D. Barne, Bishop of Lahore, in course of his convocation address at the Punjab University to-day.

Describing the general tendency of mankind to-day towards freedom Mr. Barne said: "In India the wind of freedom blows strong. During my long residence in this country I notice how the breeze has developed into a strong wind and the strong wind into a gale. It will be for you, University men and women to take a hand in piloting your ship of State through the waves which this gale itself produced. You know that your own seas are infinitely better than any mariners from the West know them, though sometimes with longer experience in oceans and currents some pilots from the West made charts and built lighthouses which it would be unwise to refuse to notice."—

RAMAN ON HIS NEW THEORY OF SOLIDS

VELLORE, Dec. 20

Speaking under the auspices of the Cultural League, Vellore, Sir C. V. Raman gave an exposition of his new theory of Solids.

Expatiating on his recent investigation on the solid state, Sir C. V. Raman said at the present day it was recognised that every elastic solid was capable of mechanical vibration. There was no reason why these vibrations should stop at a limit of audition. According to the older conception, the automatic vibration in a crystal was essentially a state of chaos. According to the latter theory, a crystal was an embodiment of

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As given above, the yearly loss caused by malaria in British India alone is colossal. The prevalence of malaria has also a disastrous effect on the development of India's natural resources, her industries, agriculture, railways and mining. Apart from the economic loss, malaria greatly hinders the intellectual, social and national development of any people afflicted by it. How can this state of affairs be remedied? It must first be clearly recognised that tropical malaria as it prevails in India is largely quinine-resistant—quinine alone is not enough to combat it. It calls for a remedy containing, in addition to quinine, ingredients that prepare the system of the patient in such a way that quinine can perform effectively its malaria destroying function. Such a remedy is Pyrotone—evolved after years of research as the answer to India's malaria problem. Doctors are requested to send for Clinical Reports.

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Hightide: 7-59, 21-42. Lowtide: 2-10, 14-51.

To-day's Engagements

INDIAN MERCHANT NAVY OFFICERS' ASSN.: Annual general meeting at office of the Association at National Insurance Building, Hornby Road, to-day (Thursday) at 6-30 p.m. Mr. Jamnadas Mehta to preside.

'SWAMI SHRADDHANAND' DAY: A public meeting at Chowpatty Sea Face will be held by Arya Samaj, Bombay and Girgaon Dist. Hindu Sabha, to-day (Thursday) at 6 p.m. (S. T.), when lectures on "Life of Swami Shraddhanand" will be delivered.

CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR TROOPS: The Hospitality Committee Christmas Party for Troops in the Brabourne Stadium to-day (Thursday) at the Cricket Club of India. H. E. the Governor and Lady Colville will attend.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS, MATUNGA: Study class on "Cosmic Chronology" at 8-15 p.m. today at Putla House, Bhau Daji Road, Matunga.

A CONGRATULATORY MEETING: Under the auspices of "The Journalist" publication, a meeting to felicitate Mr. S. A. Brelvi will be held at the Journalists' Association Club, Prospect Chambers Annexe, at 6 p.m., to-day (Thursday)

MOTHER GLORIA'S SPECIAL LECTURE: Mother Gloria will deliver a special lecture on "Mazdaznan Conception of Psychology" at Mazdaznan Hall, opposite Churchgate Station, to-day (Thursday) at 6-15 p.m.

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CITY MARKETS

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

SHARES: There was some short covering and scattered buying on the local Stock Exchange and quotations registered small gains but in view of holidays, there was nothing like brisk

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE

Tata Steel Ord. (388/8) 388 90/8 98/8; T. S. Dfd. (1892/8) 1887/8 95 1901 1896 1900 1897/8; Dyeing (1930) 1927/8 47/8 65 68 66 62 65 72 75 70 62 65 68 72 68 72/8; Century (961) 960 68 64 67 65 61 64 63 65 63; Kohinoor (612) 612 17 19 17 20 18 19 18 19; Swadesh (585) 586 90 95 93 96 95 94 99; Nagpur (455) 454 57 56 59 58 58/8 60; Simplex (275) 277 79 80/8 84; New Great (427) 426 27 31 33 32 34 33 40; Tram (142/8) 142/8 43 42/8 43/4 42/12 43; Cement (223) 223 24/8 25 24/8. 24/12 25/8

Buying Tata Steel Dfds stood at Rs. 1,900 and Ordinary Shares were quoted at Rs. 390, Bombay Dyeings improved to Rs. 1,965 and Century Mill Shares were quoted at Rs. 961. Kohinoors also hardened to Rs. 618

The market will remain open for two hours tomorrow and will remain closed upto 3rd January. There was good demand for Dyeing shares on expectations of higher dividend.

BULLION: Yesterday London Gold was unchanged at 168-8-0. Dollar Sterling Cross rate was 4.02-1/2 to 4.03-1/2 at London and 4.03 at New York. London Spot and forward Silver quotations were unchanged at 23-1/2d. and New York Spot Silver was quoted 44-3/4 cents. The local market was quiet with moderate selling. The Bank is inclined to offer at declining quotations and to-day sales to the extent of about 30,000 tolas of Gold were reported at Rs. 71-12. This act of the Bank created somewhat bearish feeling among bulls and delivery quotation stood at Rs. 69-4. Silver delivery business was done at Rs. 113. Tone was quiet.

Later on there was some increased selling and the market ruled quiet quotations: Ready gold Rs. 71 delivery Rs. 69/4. Sovereigns Rs. 49/4 Ready Silver Rs. 114/8 and delivery Rs. 112/8.

COTTON: The local cotton market opened to-day at Rs. 469-8 for January delivery and improved to Rs. 470-8. At this level there was scattered selling and prices declined to Rs. 468-8 but active bull support appeared and prices advanced to Rs. 474. It is reported that there is good export demand for cotton from Liverpool and about two lakhs of bales are exported against about 42,000 bales last year at this time. Later on there was some realising and prices reacted to Rs. 472-8.

There was moderate active bull support and prices advanced to Rs. 474/8. Thereafter there was renewed realising and prices reacted to Rs. 472. The market finally closed at 6 p.m. as under:

I C C Jan. Rs. 471 to 471/8; I C C Mar Rs. 466; I C C Rs. May 469-8.

COTTON PARITY: Indian cotton contract January is below New York January 132 cent points at Exchange.

AMERICAN COTTON GINNING: Ginned to the middle of December 10,775,000. Bales compared with 10,560,000 bales ginned to 1st December comparison with previous seasons: 1943044; Bales 10,775,000; in 1942243 Bales 11,743,000 and in 1941/42 Bales 99,15,000.

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES

	High	Low	Close
I. C. C. Jan	471	466	470
,, Mar	467	463	466
,, May	469/12	465/8	468/12

NEW YORK COTTON

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.

January (old) 19.38—18; March 19.40—18, May 19.15—19; July 18.93—18; October 18.66—22; December 18.57—25; March highest 19.62+05 (10-15 a.m) lowest 19.38—20 (1-45 p.m.); Middling spot 20.27—18.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

January 1945—16; March 19.57—16; May 19.35—19; July 19.12—18; October 18.75—16; December 18.63—20; Middling spot 19.42—16

NEW YORK COTTON

Noon Call

March 19.59; May 19.32; July 19.06.

RESERVE BANK OF INDIA

An account pursuant to the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934, for the week ended the 17th day of December, 1943.

ISSUE DEPARTMENT

Liabilities: Notes held in the Banking Department Rs. 9,26,45,000. Notes in circulation Rs. 820,56,23,000. Total Notes issued Rs. 829,82,68,000.

Assets: A. Gold Coin and Bullion: (a) Held in India Rs. 44,41,43,000. Sterling Securities Rs. 712,83,96,000. Total of A. Rs. 757,25,39,000. B. Rupee Coin Rs. 14,24,68,000. Government of India Rupee Securities Rs. 58,32,61,000. Total Assets Rs. 829,82,68,000.

Ratio of Total of A to Liabilities: 91.264 per cent.

ANJUMAN-I-ISLAM OLD STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION: Under the auspices of the Anjuman-i-Islam Old Students' Association, a public lecture will be delivered by Mr. Khwaja Ahmed Abbas on "The Film and the People" at the Anjuman-i-Islam School Hall, Hornby Road, to-morrow (Friday) at 6 p.m. Prof. Nadvi, presiding.

POSTAL NOTICE: Saturday (25th Dec.) and Saturday (1st Jan.) will be Post and Telegraph holidays on account of Christmas day and New Year's day respectively.

INSTITUTO LUSO-INDIANO: A Literary Session in commemoration of the Diamond Jubilee of the foundation of the Institute will be held on December 26 (Sunday) at 5-30 p.m. at the Institute's premises, Girgaum Road, Dabul.

MR. DINSHA N. DASTUR: Mr. Dinsha Nasserwanji Dastur, L.S.G.D., who has consistently fought for the rights of tenants has been elected on the Managing Board of the Bombay Tenants' Association. A young and energetic general social worker he is now on the Managing Committee of the Young Men's Parsi Association. He is a well-known Gujarati novelist and dramatist.

The Half-Column "By Dim"

Frank Owen has arrived in New Delhi and with his geniality he has captured the affection of war correspondents there. The arrangements for the S. E. Asia Command's public relations will be on a grand scale, it appears.

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Meanwhile, the following appeared in yesterday's "Times of India" in Social and Personal column:

"The engagement is announced of Brigadier Ivor S. Jehu, son of the late Professor Jehu and Mrs. Jehu, Edinburgh, and Joan Mary, widow of the late Major G. B. Neale, I.A.C."

Our felicitations, of course.

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The local corporation appears to be getting interested in Birth Control and Adult Suffrage. Referring the matter to our specialist on the subject, the Gentleman from Dash Dash Road has issued the following crisp statement: "You've got to have birth control in order to prevent adult suffrage." A sub-committee will shortly be appointed to investigate the implications of this bald statement.

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I understand (though not from reliable sources) that a well-known firm of silk merchants in Bombay have written to the U.S.O.W.I. suggesting that Captain Melvyn Douglas's next press interview about *saris* should be held at their shop. Likewise, the Cricket Club intends to substitute its Thursday's dances by a series of lectures by Mr. (Sorry, Captain) Melvyn Douglas on the "Vedas and what I learnt from them". Ken Mac will be in attendance, as usual!

BOMBAY, Dec. 22.

The annual session of the Western India Homoeopathic Medical Conference will be held at the premises of Homoeopathic Cancer, Maternity and General Hospital, Navsari on Friday (31st Dec.). Dr. G. B. Patel will preside. Delegates, interested in the said Conference, can communicate with Dr. Thakar, Chairman of the Reception Committee, on or before the 28th inst. Dr. Thakar's address is as under: Dr. R. R. Thakar, Kandivali, Bombay Suburban Dist.—A. P.

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O.K. O.K. I'M HERE! COME CLOSER AND I'LL HELP YOU OUT!
NIX! I CAN'T SWIM!
CAN'T SWIM? IT'S ONLY UP TO YOUR CHEST!
IT'S OVER MY HEAD! I'M STANDING ON MY PAL, WHO BROKE THE ICE!
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Wanted experienced Dental Mechanic. Good pay. Apply immediately with certificates to Bharucha 5 Elphinstone Road, Poona. (3570)

One Competent and Experienced Accountant-G D.A. or B.Com., who has worked in any Commercial Firm of reputation for atleast 3 years, who can maintain the Accounts independently-prepare Balance Sheet etc,, as required by the Company Act. Apply to Box No. 3572A, "Bombay Chronicle."

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An Educated and enlightened Lady having a good personality, knowing one of the South Indian Languages and Hindi with an aptitude to Business to work as the Secretary of a Co-operative Stores. Preference to Ladies who are courageous and able to organise and manage the Stores. Should have no encumbrances. Apply Box No. 3572B, "Bombay Chronicle".

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Wanted Agents and Stockists for Locks, Embossers, Nameplates. Apply Azad Company, Aligarh. (3530)

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PUBLIC NOTICES

G.I.P. RLY.—TENDERS.

THE CONTROLLER OF STORES invites tenders for miscellaneous stores, such as asbestos goods, refractory materials for use in cupolas, bamboos, bamboo cane and steel baskets, date and Goa brooms, white chalk, limestone, glue, paper toilet, sand moulding, whistles, oil lamps and fittings etc. required for the period 1-2-44 to 31-1-45. Tender form obtainable from the Stores Head Office, Gipstore Lane, Lower Parel, Bombay 13, at Rs. 2|- per copy, not refundable. Money order or cash only. Closing date Monday, the 10th January 1944 at 3 P. M. (S.T.). (7217)

BOMBAY-SIND PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION invite applications for the post of DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRIES, Bombay, up to *Eighth January nineteen hundred and forty-four*, instead of 27-12-1943, from *British subjects and subjects of Indian States* and not only from natives of the Province of Bombay as previously advertised. 7253

PUBLIC NOTICES

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

TENDERS for the supply of (a) Bread Horse, Bread Ordinary, Biscuits Limjee and Biscuits Dog (b) Beef, Mutton &c. and (c) Miscellaneous Bazar Articles required for feeding the Animals in the Victoria Gardens during the year 1944-45 shall be addressed at the Office of the Chief Accountant, Municipal Offices, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay, ON WEDNESDAY THE 29TH DECEMBER, 1943, not later than 1 P.M. (B.T.) All tenders must be enclosed in a sealed envelope or cover. The sealed cover, letter and tender must be superscribed as "Tender for the supply of.....required by the Superintendent of Gardens.

Forms of Contracts, Specifications, &c. will be supplied on payment of Re. 1|- for each copy.

By Order of the Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay.
D. I. AHMADI,
Superintendent,
Municipal Gardens.

Victoria Gardens Office.
Byculla-Bombay,
Dated 22nd December, 1943. (7259)

ORIENTAL INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENT CORPORATION, LIMITED.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the STATUTORY MEETING of the Company will be held at Aga Khan Building (third floor), Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay, on FRIDAY, the 21st January, 1944, at 4-0 p.m., to receive and consider the Statutory Report of the Company.

By Order of the Board
For K. U. Advani Ltd.,
K. U. ADVANI,
Director.
Secretaries.

Bombay, 15th December, 1943. (7257)

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

NOTICE

TENDERS for the supply of articles of diets and extra articles to the Arthur Road and Maratha Hospitals, five Maternity Homes and the Turner Sanatorium for one year from 1-3-1944 will be received by the Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay on 7-1-1944 not later than 1 P.M. (B.T.)

Tenderers may, if they so desire, quote for any of the four groups included in Schedule A. Tenders will be accepted as a whole or split up in parts at the discretion of the Municipal Commissioner.

The Tenders should be enclosed in a sealed envelope which must be endorsed "TENDER FOR THE SUPPLY OF ARTICLES OF DIETS &C. TO THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT" addressed to the Municipal Commissioner and delivered at the office of the Chief Accountant, Municipal Offices, Fort, Bombay.

Forms of Tender, specifications &c. will be issued to the applicant on payment of Rupee one only by the undersigned from whom further information can be obtained.

(Sd.) K. Y. SANZGIRI,
Assistant Health Officer.

Public Health Department,
Municipal Offices,
Bombay, 21-12-1943. (7258)

NOTICE

MOVEMENTS OF PIECEGOODS AND YARN FROM WADI BUNDER.

IN ORDER to facilitate the orderly despatch of piecegoods and yarn from Wadi Bunder it has been agreed with the railway authorities that no piecegoods and yarn will be despatched from Wadi Bunder on and after January 1st, 1944, except under the direct orders of the Textile Commissioner. The following details of requirements should be sent by consignors to reach the Office of the Textile Commissioner, Section CX-17, by Monday of each week.

1. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONSIGNOR.
2. TELEPHONE NUMBER OF CONSIGNOR.
3. DESCRIPTION OF CLOTH.
4. WHETHER WAR ORDERS, STANDARD CLOTH OR CIVIL GOODS.

(NOTE:—In the case of Standard Cloth or War Orders please quote the Order Number and date.)

5. NUMBER OF BALES OR PACKAGES.
6. APPROXIMATE WEIGHT AND MEASUREMENT.
7. DESTINATION STATION WITH THE NAME OF THE RAILWAY ON WHICH DESTINATION STATION IS SITUATED.

Goods will move in strict order of registration. Failure to comply with these instructions will mean that goods will not move and applications incorrectly or incompletely compiled will be placed at the botton of the list.

Application should be made for the movement of goods only when such goods are ready for immediate delivery to Wadi Bunder. Consignors will be advised by telephone or other means when goods should be delivered to Wadi Bunder. (7260)

G.I.P. RAILWAY

BOMBAY-POONA TRAIN SERVICE

THE PUBLIC IS NOTIFIED that with effect from 1st January, 1944. No. 4 Up Poona-Bombay Mail train will NOT halt at Sivajinagar. (7254)

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO BOMBAY REGIONAL MOTOR OWNERS

OWNERS of Motor Vehicles, residing in the Bombay Region are informed that the third quarter of the financial year 1943-1944 of the Motor Vehicles tax ends on 31-12-1943. All owners who have paid the tax upto 31-12-43. should therefore, pay or remit now to the Motor Vehicles and Taxation Department, Gymnasium Road, Off Cruickshank Road, Bombay. further tax for the last quarter ending 31-3-1944, so that it may be credited on or before 15-1-1944. Payment will be accepted on any working day between 10-30 A.M. and 2-30 P.M. and on Saturdays between 10-30 A.M. and 12-30 P.M.

Cheques should only be drawn in favour of the Deputy Commissioner of Police, Motor Vehicles and Taxation, Bombay, or the Executive Officer, Regional Transport Authority, Bombay. Where the tax is paid by cheque, the tax tokens and registration certificates will be issued only after the cheques are encashed by the Bank. Any delay in payment of tax due to any irregularity or otherwise will render the owner or the person in possession of the vehicle liable to a penalty. Third-party cheques will not be accepted.

Owners of motor vehicles bearing Extra-Provincial or State Numbers should note that 15 days grace period does not apply to them and that the tax due should be paid on or before the expiry of the tokens issued to them or they should immediately report arrival of such vehicles owned by them and use the vehicles only after obtaining current tokens.

Motor owners are further informed that under Rule 26 of the Bombay Motor Vehicles Tax Rules 1940 nonuse intimations should be sent so as to reach this office on or before 31-12-43, the date of expiry of the period for which tax has been paid.

(Sd.) E. SHEEHY,
Dy. Commissioner of Police.
Motor Vehicles & Taxation,
Bombay.

M. V. & Taxation Office,
Gymnasium Road off Cruickshank Road, Bombay. (7255)

NOTICE

WANTED APPLICANTS for the post of Assistant Nursing Superintendent on a consolidated salary of Rs. 350|- p.m. Provident Fund, furnished quarters, free lights, fans and laundry provided.

QUALIFICATIONS: — General trained and midwifery—must have held some administrative post.

Applicants for the above post should approach personally with their written applications and copies of testimonials which may have to be retained for an interview at Tajmahal Hotel, Bombay on the 27th December, 1943, between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. with Dr. J. N. Madan, F.R.C.S. Principal Medical Officer, Jodhpur State. (7252)

THE EDWARD SASSOON MILLS, LTD.

CERTIFICATE No. 5391 of the above Company for 1 share standing in name of Lakhmidas Harjivan Liladhar has been lost and undersigned has applied to the Company for issue of duplicate. Any person objecting to issue of duplicate of the said share certificate should lodge such objection with the Company at its registered office, E. D. Sassoon Building, Dougall Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay, within one month from this date, otherwise the Company will issue such duplicate.

LAKHMIDAS HARJIVAN LILADHAR.

Dated 23-12-43. (3586)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that HAJI NOORMAHOMED ABDUL REHMAN of Bombay Mahomedan inhabitant has contracted to sell his right, title and interest in the undermentioned property to our client.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Fort Chambers, Dean Lane, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY.

All that piece or parcel of leasehold land, situate at Victoria 2nd Cross Lane, admeasuring 532 square yards or thereabouts together with the hereditaments and premises standing thereon and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Rates and Taxes under E Ward No. 7703 (5), Street No. 5 and bearing New Survey No. 1/3649 1

and Cadastral Survey No. 586 in Cadastral Survey Division Mazagaon under the Registration Sub-District of Bombay and bounded as follows that is to say, on or towards the North by the property of Lessors, on or towards the South by a seventeen feet passage belonging to the Lessors, on or towards the East by ten feet passage belonging to the Lessors and on or towards the West by the Victoria 2nd Cross Lane.

Dated this 21st day of December, 1943.
DAYALJI & DIPCHAND.
Purchaser's Attorneys. 7249

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that our client has contracted to purchase the undermentioned property from Messrs. HORMUSHA MANEKJI DOTIVALA, MEHERJI-BHOY ARDESHIR DOTIVALA, MANECKJI HORMUSHA DOTTVALA and NARIMAN HORMUSHA DOTIVALA, the present Trustees of the Indenture of Settlement, bearing date the 6th day of December, 1928. Any person or persons having any interest in or claim to the said property or any part thereof, by way of Sale, exchange, maintenance, mortgage, gift, trust, inheritance, charge, possession, lien, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby requested to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Whiteaway Laidlaw Building, 2nd floor, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof otherwise he, she or they will be precluded from making the same and such claim, if any, shall be deemed to have been waived.

SCHEDULE

ALL that piece of Leasehold land or ground together with the messuages tenements and buildings standing thereon, admeasuring Nine hundred and fifty-six Square Yards or thereabouts situate on and being Plot No. 9 of Dadar Matunga Estate of the Trustees for the Improvement of the City of Bombay in the City and Island of Bombay and Sub-registration District of Bombay bounded, on the North-East by a road sixty-six feet in width, on the South-East by Plot No. 10 of the said estate of the said Trustees, on the South-West partly by the property belonging to the said estate of the said Trustees and partly by the property belonging to Dinshaw Muncherji Dastoor and on the North-West by Plot No. 8 of the said estate of the said Trustees leased to Chhotalal Bhagwandas and which premises form a portion of the premises bearing New Survey No. 1200 and 1203 and bear Cadastral Survey No. 10-30 Matunga Division and are assessed by the Municipality under F Ward No. 6648(3) formerly under Street No. 215B but present street No. 3 Kohinoor Road.

Dated this 22nd day of December, 1943.
PATELL & EZEKIEL,
Purchaser's Attorneys. (7443)

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

I. C. No. 105 of 1943.

In the matter of the Indian Cos. Act VII of 1913.
and
In the matter of the DHARAMSI MORARJI CHEMICAL Co., Ltd.
The DHARAMSI MORARJI CHEMICAL Co., Ltd. Petitioners.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Order of the High Court of Judicature at Bombay, dated the 16th day of December, 1943, confirming the reduction of the capital of the abovenamed Company from Rs. 50,00,000 to Rs. 25,00,000 and the Minute approved by the Court showing with respect to the capital of the Company as altered the several particulars required by the Statute was registered by the Registrar of Companies, Bombay, the Twentieth day of December, 1943.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that the said Minute is in the words and figures following:—"The Capital of the Dharamsi Morarji Chemical Co., Ltd. henceforth is Rs. 25,00,000 divided into 50,000 shares of Rs. 50 each out of which 10,000 shares are unissued and 12617 are forfeited instead of the original capital of Rs. 50,00,000 divided into 50,000 shares of Rs. 100 each. At the time of the Registration of this minute, the sum of Rs. 50 per share has been and is to be deemed to be paid on each of the 27383 shares which have been issued and have not been forfeited and nothing is to be deemed to have been paid up on any of the 12,617 shares which have been forfeited and are henceforth to be deemed as if they were still un-issued or on any of the 10,000 shares which have never been issued."

Dated the 21st day of December, 1943.
BHAISHANKER KANGA & GIRDHARLAL,
Attorneys for the abovenamed Company. 7250

NOTICE

THE CENTRAL BANK EXECUTOR AND TRUSTEE CO., LTD., and others Trustees of an Indenture of Settlement dated the 26th day of February, 1937, have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client. Any person having any claim whatsoever to the said property is hereby required to make the same known in writing to us at our Office No. 17-19, Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay and to the Assessor Bombay Municipality.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

Parcel of land of the Pension and Tax Tenure together with messuage, situate at Old Police Court Lane, Fort, Bombay, admeasuring 90 Square Yards or thereabouts and registered under Collector's Old No. 52, New No. 492, Old Survey No. 687 and New Survey No. 8760 and Cadastral Survey No. 886 of Fort Division and assessed under A Ward No. 2494 and Street No. 37.

Dated this 21st day of December, 1943.
FRAMJI J. JESIA & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys. 7248

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at the Public Auction held on the 15th December, 1943, by Messrs. Gandhy & Co., Auctioneers under instructions from Sheth Shivdas Moolji, Receiver appointed in Bombay High Court Suit No. 1098 of 1941 (Kalyanji Vithaldas and ors. V|s Charandas Vassonji & Ors.) our client has purchased the undermentioned property.

Any person making claim of any sort against the said property is requested to notify the same to us within 14 days.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY.

ALL that piece or parcel of leasehold land or ground together with the messuage, tenement and dwelling house standing thereon situate, lying and being at Surat Street, on the Elphinstone Land Estate of the Bombay Port Trust, outside the Fort in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 483 (four hundred and eighty-three square yards or thereabouts, registered in the Books of the Collector of land Revenue under Cadastral Survey No. 79 of Princes Dock Division, Laughton's Survey No. 3186 (part) and assessed by the Bombay Municipality under D Ward No. 5363 (1) Street No. 33 35, 37 and 39.

Dated this 20th day of December, 1943.
AMBUBHAI & DIWANJI,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
Lentin Chambers,
Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay. (7245)

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